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August 25, 2014

Governor Jerry Brown  
ATTN: Brian Putler, Deputy Legislative Secretary  
Governor's Office, Legislative Unit  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 2048 (DAHLE) - FIRE PREVENTION FEES: STATE RESPONSIBILITY AREAS ▪ REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE ▪**

Dear Governor Brown:

I am pleased to support Assembly Bill 2048, which would make much needed changes to numerous Fire Prevention Fee provisions.

Created by the Legislature and Governor as part of the 2011 Budget, the Fire Prevention Fee charges property owners \$152.33 for each habitable structure located in a State Responsibility Area (SRA). Nearly 800,000 rural Californians receive a Fire Prevention Fee bill each year.

The confusing and controversial fire fee is tax policy at its worst. It should be eliminated entirely, but until then AB 2048 is a step in the right direction.

Therefore, I respectfully request your signature on AB 2048.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "G. Runner", written over a horizontal line.

GEORGE RUNNER  
Second District

cc: Assemblymember Dahle  
Assemblymember Chesbro  
Assemblymember Gordon  
Senator Gaines